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NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE

NOVEMBER, 1952

More Life Members Added to Roll

During the last few weeks the Alumni Office has sent out certificates of Life Membership in the Alumni Association to alumni in widely scattered sections of the country.

The recipients of these certificates of life membership certainly are demonstrating a definite and lasting interest in their organization, and their action should be a constant reminder to those who are not life members that they, too, should exhibit a similar interest and loyalty to their alumni group.

Life membership certificates have recently been sent to the following people: Mr. John F. Lowrey, Bossier City; Mrs. B. H. Sandlin, Natchitoches; Mrs. Beverly Stewart Murphy, Baton Rouge; Mrs. B. S. Swett, Natchitoches; Miss Manette Swett, Gainesville, Florida; Miss Rose Holton, Westfield, Texas; Mr. William F. Doshier, 736 Dalzell Street, Shreveport; Mr. Ralph A. Rusca, 6530 General Haig Street, New Orleans; Mrs. Fay Law Wright, Florien; Mr. G. F. Copeland, Leesville; Mr. William B. Pattison, Monroe; A/C Robert H. Gates, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas; Mrs. Helen Hill Loomis, Clayton; Mrs. R. O. Hicks, Natchitoches; Mrs. Betty Byram Haynes, 3510 Random Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan, and Mrs. Verna Lilly Dodd, Honolulu, Hawaii.

This list brings the total number of life memberships to 880. Our goal for the rest of this year should be "1,000 life members by January 1, 1953," as a minimum.

It is clearly evident to us that there are at least 120 additional alumni who receive the Alumni Columns and who will consider it a privilege and an opportunity to become life members before the end of this calendar year. We have referred specifically to alumni who receive the Alumni Columns because they will, we hope, read this appeal and we are confident they will act upon it immediately. The cost of a life membership certificate is only five dollars; so why not make yourself a Christmas present of one. You will get a glow of satisfaction and, at the same time, help carry on the work of your organization.

QUEEN AND HER COURT WILL REIGN OVER HOMECOMING



Beauty will reign supreme over Homecoming, and the brightest stars in the Homecoming sky will be Queen Jean Jensen and her royal court as they rule for the day when Northwestern alumni return to the campus for a full day of activities.

In the center of the star is Queen Jensen, sophomore from Waterproof. At the star points going clockwise from the bottom are Miss Jimmie Ann Wall, sophomore from Bastrop; Miss Patsy Murphy, sophomore from Tallulah; Miss Jolene Walters, sophomore from Belcher; Miss Mary Ann Koccos, freshman from Shreveport; and Miss Patsy Peak, freshman from Walker.

These young ladies of the Queen's court were chosen by the senior football players, and the Queen was selected by the members of the "N" Club.

Early registration for the Alumni Luncheon has reached 350, and all indications point to an overflow crowd for the football game between the Demons and Southwestern Louisiana Institute Bulldogs from Lafayette.

Special guests for the parade in the morning will be the Neville High School Tigerettes from Monroe, the Arcadia High School Band, the Gibsland High School Band, the LaSalle High School Band, the Natchitoches High School Band, the Boyce High School Band, and the Ferriday High School Band.

All the visiting bands and the NSC band will play in mass formation in the pre-game ceremonies.

New Orleans Alumni Elect Officers

Mrs. Anna Burglass was elected president of the New Orleans alumni group at their meeting on October 19. She succeeds Frank J. Mobley, who has served as president for the past two years.

Other officers elected to serve with Mrs. Burglass are: Dr. John Russell Bond, vice-president; Albert W. Green, secretary; Herman P. Durham, treasurer; and C. E. LaPrairie, parliamentarian. Elected to serve on the Board of Directors were Harold Sharp, Frank J. Mobley, and Albert P. Moss.

The local group will serve as hosts and receptionists for the Open House and Coffee that will be held in New Orleans at Eleanor McMain High School on Tuesday, November 25, during the sessions of the Louisiana Education Association.

Campbell New Head Calcasieu Alumni

Clea T. "Pappy" Campbell, 431 Mustang Street, Sulphur, was chosen to head the Calcasieu Alumni of Northwestern State College at their annual meeting on November 5.

Elected as vice-president was Mrs. E. B. Smith (Juanita Burt), also of Sulphur, while Miss Sue Tucker of Vinton was elected as secretary-treasurer. Reporter for the group was Mrs. J. C. Carlin (Adelaide Smith) of Sulphur.

Sixty-seven were present for the dinner meeting at Sammy's Restaurant, presided over by Gabe Barkate, president of the group during the past year.

Talks were made by Coach Harry Turpin and President H. Lee Prather, who attended the meeting with alumni secretary Miller.

Kilpatrick Promoted

Effective October 28, Arnold R. Kilpatrick, A.B. '44, of 903 Filhiol Avenue, Monroe, became Director of Athletics of Northeast Louisiana State College of Monroe. In addition to his duties as athletic director, Kilpatrick teaches in the

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FROM CRUTCHES TO GYMNAST

By JOHN C. MERRILL, JR.

A Northwestern State College student, born with polio and paralyzed since infancy from the waist down, is proving that a physical handicap does not keep a person from excelling in a sport—even one calling for a high degree of bodily coordination.

Shelby Brooks, a 22-year-old NSC junior from Jena, is one of the top-notch members of Coach John Piscopo's Demon gymnastic team. And Coach Piscopo is one who has high standards for his consistently top-notch teams.

Brooks was born with polio, a body which was useless from the waist down, club feet and a dislocated hip. While in high school at Trout-Goodpine just outside Jena, he had several operations which failed to help him very much. After graduation in 1948, he spent two straight years in the hospital and underwent three major operations.

Upon leaving Touro, he entered Northwestern State in the Fall of 1950, and began majoring in Upper Elementary Education. At this time he had to use crutches to get around.

During the 1951 Spring Semester, he reported to the Department of Physical Education and was assigned to a class in swimming, where he received special instruction under Robert Justiss, a student assistant. "This activity," according to Brooks, "helped me to develop my legs and to regain the use of them." At mid-semester he was encouraged by the Department of Physical Education to schedule a basic course in corrective gymnastics as the second half of the required physical education course. Under the watchful eye of Coach John Piscopo, Brooks made rapid progress and soon began to shed the artificial support of his crutches. First he omitted one and then he substituted walking canes. It was only a short time before he abandoned these altogether, and now he uses no support whatsoever.

Starting gymnastics in the Fall of 1951, on an extra-curricular basis, he became one of the mainstays of the team. He represented Northwestern State College in a demonstration at the Louisiana Education Association Conference in Shreveport last year as a hand-balancer, one of the first events to receive his attention.

In the Spring of 1952, he took up competitive gymnastics and held down a regular berth on the team which walked off with the Southern A. A. U. team championship. Brooks won points in three



events, placing second in rope climbing, fourth on the rings, and fifth on the parallel bars.

Shelby is one of the mainstays of the 1952-53 gymnastic team and Coach Piscopo regards him as "one of my top performers." He has become more versatile and is now competing in parallel bars, rope climb, side horse, and the still and flying rings, in addition to handbalancing.

Brooks now spends, without school credit, two hours per day in the gymnasium throughout the year. He recently stated, "I consider gymnastics an extremely important sport. It has not only provided me with recreation, but it also has helped me to become strong and to regain a sense of balance and muscle coordination."

Brooks hopes to coach a gymnastic team at the high school in which he teaches after graduating from NSC. Although few high schools at present have gym teams, he feels it would be a very important and helpful step to take in any high school's physical education program. After he gets his diploma in August, 1953, Brooks hopes to land a teaching job in the vicinity of his home-town, Jena. He is majoring in upper elementary education.

He is looking forward to this year, his last in college, as being his best in gymnastic competition. This fall and winter he will par-

ticipate in 13 exhibition shows to be presented throughout Louisiana by the Demon gymnasts, and next spring he will take part in inter-collegiate competition.

ALUMNI Here 'n There

Mrs. Betty L. Haynes of 815 S. Rose Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan, writes to thank us for the Alumni Columns. She stated: "I am the former Betty Byram who last attended Northwestern in 1943. I was married in 1943 to Glen Haynes, Jr., of Kalamazoo, who was a cadet, one of the first group on the campus. He was killed in action in 1945. My eight-year-old son and I like Kalamazoo very much. We are building a home here and will move into it in two weeks, so will you please change my address to 3510 Random Road.

"For the past two years, I have worked for the Upjohn Company as a laboratory assistant in the department of Antibiotic Research.

"I am enclosing a check for life membership in the Alumni Association."

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A letter from Joe Choate, A.B. '50, who now resides at 800 South State Street, Abbeville, states that he is now working for the *Abbeville Meridional*. Joe says: "Thanks for sending the Alumni Columns publication. I enjoy it for both its journalistic neatness and its informative contents." (Thanks for the kind words.)

"I have always said that Northwestern State's contribution to my life while a student there will be most valuable to me always. It is there that I learned to meet and associate with people, which has become so important in my profession.

"I am presently the news editor of my hometown's leading newspaper. Serving as editor of the *Current Sauce* during my years at Northwestern State has definitely aided me in my present work. . . ."

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Another comforting letter came from Mrs. John A. Loomis (Helen Hill, A.B. '45) of Clayton. She stated "Enclosed, please find five dollars as payment of the life membership fee in the Alumni Association.

"I am now teaching fourth and fifth grades at Clayton Elementary. . . . Have a son, Johnny, eight months old.

"Enjoy reading the Alumni Columns and would like to hear from old school mates."

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Demons End Tough Campaign

The Demon football team has had a hard-fought but losing schedule this season. Numerous fumbles and disappointing lack of scoring power when deep in enemy territory have kept them out of the win column all the season since the opening game, which they won 7-0.

Against Louisiana Tech at the State Fair the Demons could not develop a sustained drive to carry them over the goal line, while fumbles deep in their own territory gave Tech two opportunities to score, both of which they seized. Tech also scored another touchdown and one safety, thereby defeating the Demons 22-0.

The following week at Hammond the Demons again failed to score while Southeastern picked up 19 points.

Against Mississippi Southern on Nov. 1 on their home field, the Demons jumped into an early lead when Roland Smith got loose for 70 yards and a touchdown—followed a short time later by a drive over from the Southerners' one-yard line. Mississippi closed the gap, however, and the half ended in a 13-13 tie. During the second half the Southerners turned on the heat and rolled up a commanding lead, winning by a final score of 39-13.

Last week at Monroe, the Demons overcame a seven-point lead of the Northeast Indians to tie the game at 7-7, then moved out in front to lead 14-7. The Indians came surging back to tie the game up and in the closing quarter forged ahead 20-14, a lead the Demons could not overcome.

With only one game remaining on the schedule, Southwestern or Homecoming (which will have been played soon after we go to press), the Demons' record for the season shows one win, one tie, and six losses.

In conference play the Demon and the Wildcats of Louisiana College remain tied for the cellar position with one tie each and no wins. If the Demons can defeat Southwestern, they have an opportunity of moving out of the present conference position. Certainly on the basis of comparative scores the Demons rate the "underdog" role this weekend. But comparative scores do not mean very much in this traditional game with the Bulldogs from Lafayette.

BASKETBALL SEASON BEGINS NOVEMBER 29

Coach Charles "Red" Thomas will open the 1952-1953 season against Lamar Tech in Beaumont, Texas, on November 29, with a return engagement against the same team on the local court on December 2.

With three weeks of practice completed, Coach Thomas describes his squad as being rather ragged but termed this "not unusual for this stage of the game."

"I believe the sloppy passing, the hasty shooting, and the ragged team play will improve tremendously before our opening game," stated the Demon Coach, who is beginning his third season as basketball mentor at NSC.

Jim Yergler, 6' 2" guard from Cissna Park, Illinois, is the only senior on the squad and has been elected captain of the team for this season. Jim is a three-year letterman and will probably be listed as one of the starters in the 28-game schedule. He will be ably assisted by such players as Ken Shaw, 6' 5" center from Holton, Indiana; James Thomas, 6' 4" center or forward from Martin; Roy Barker from Fenton, center or forward; Tynes Hildebrand of Florien, Murrell Walker of Dry

Prong, and Waple Lilly of Belmont, forwards, all of whom are around the six-foot mark; and guards George Davis of Florien, Sammy Booras of Shreveport, and Bill Collinsworth of Bryceland, ranging in height from 5' 9" to six feet, and who saw major service last season. Another guard, Bolton Collins, 6' 2" guard from Coushatta, should see plenty of action this year also.

Freshmen who are expected to add considerably to the strength and depth of the Demon Basketball Squad are such high school standouts as George McConathy of Bryceland, James Enloe of Pineville, Bill Sandlin of Bienville, Mixon Bankston of Dry Prong, and Sonny Bates of Coushatta.

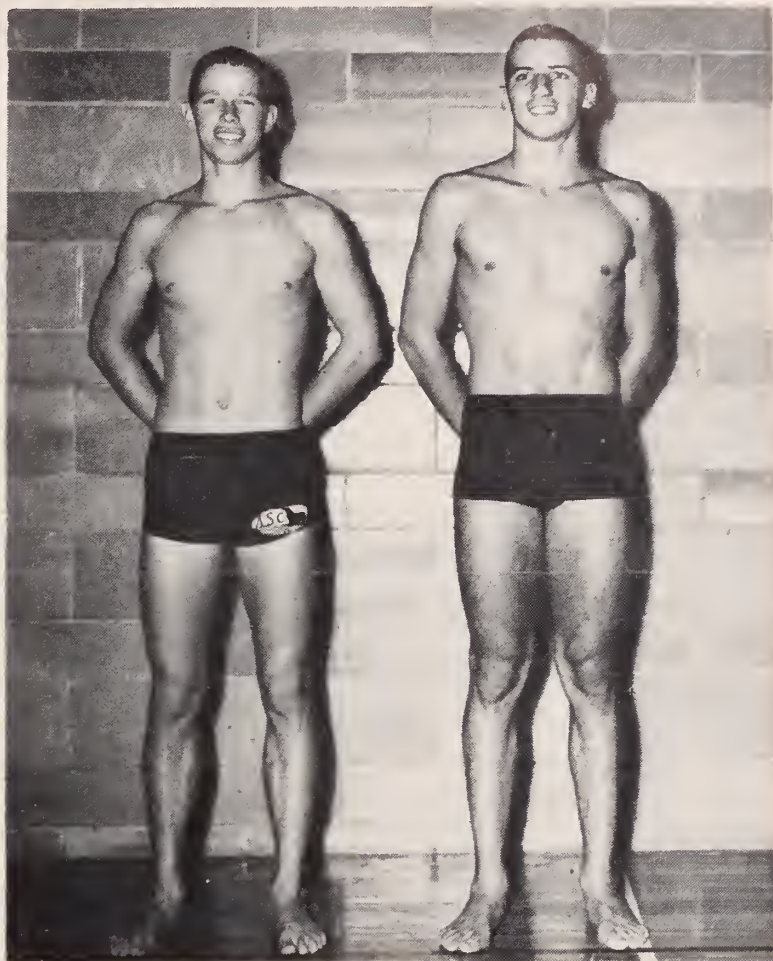
The Demons lost only one man, Artie Ranew, by graduation last year and Coach Thomas is not using the crying towel about his prospects this year. On the contrary he stated: "We will definitely have a better team than last season. This does not mean we'll have a better record necessarily, because several of the other schools have better teams also."

Last year's record for the season was 17 games won against 14 lost.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE FOR 1952-53

Nov. 29	Lamar Tech	Beaumont, Texas
Dec. 2	Lamar Tech	Natchitoches
Dec. 5	Northeast State College	Natchitoches
Dec. 9	Southern State College	Magnolia, Ark.
Dec. 12	Texas A. & M.	College Station, Texas
Dec. 13	Sam Houston State College	Huntsville, Texas
Dec. 16	Southern State College	Natchitoches
Dec. 17	E. New Mexico University	Natchitoches
Dec. 19	Sam Houston State College	Natchitoches
Jan. 3	McNeese State College	Natchitoches
Jan. 6	Northeast State College	Monroe
Jan. 17	Mississippi Southern College	Natchitoches
Jan. 21	Mexico Oil Co.	Natchitoches
Jan. 24	Service Team	Alexandria
Jan. 29	Louisiana College	Alexandria
Jan. 30	Southeastern Louisiana College	Natchitoches
Jan. 31	Centenary College	Shreveport
Feb. 3	Southwestern Louisiana Institute	Lafayette
Feb. 5	Louisiana College	Natchitoches
Feb. 7	Southeastern Louisiana College	Hammond
Feb. 9	Louisiana Tech	Ruston
Feb. 12	McNeese State College	Lake Charles
Feb. 14	Southwestern Louisiana Institute	Natchitoches
Feb. 16	Spring Hill College	Natchitoches
Feb. 20	Mississippi Southern College	Hattiesburg, Miss.
Feb. 21	Spring Hill College	Mobile, Ala.
Feb. 24	Louisiana Tech	Natchitoches
Feb. 27	Centenary College	Shreveport

OUTSTANDING FRESHMAN SWIMMERS



Louisiana's two greatest high school swimming stars are now freshmen at Northwestern State College. Tommy Kehoe (left) and Lyle Dillman (right), both of whom live in New Orleans, have set many high school and A. A. U. records. In the past they have been outstanding rivals, but now they will team up to deal misery to the opponents of the Demons.

Tommy Kehoe, the youngest in a family of swimmers and a brother to Jerry Kehoe, Co-Captain of the N. S. C. Swimmers, is a graduate of New Orleans Academy. He swam in A. A. U. competition as a member of the strong Audubon Swim Club. Tommy did not compete last season because of an operation, but he should be ready now to take up where he left off in 1951, as high-point winner in the N. S. C. Swim Meet and also as sweepstakes winner at the State High School Meet. Kehoe's crowning triumph was winning the Junior National A. A. U. 200-meter freestyle in 1951. Tommy was undefeated in the 100-yard and 220-yard freestyle events in high school competition in 1950 and again in 1951. He won four high-point trophies at the Northwest and State Meets in 1950 and in 1951. He presently holds Northwest Rally Records in the 100-yard freestyle, the 100-yard backstroke, and the 220-yard free-

style. He shares the state record in the 100-yard freestyle, which was equaled last season by Dillman.

Lyle Dillman is a graduate of Nicholls High School of New Orleans. He swam during the summers for the New Orleans Athletic Club, a perennial contender for honors in A. A. U. competition. Dillman is the present State High School Champion in the 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle, and 100-yard backstroke. Last year he won the high-point trophies at both the Northwest and the State Championship Meets. In winning the 100-yard freestyle in the State Meet, he tied Kehoe's record. Lyle has consistently placed high during the last three years in the backstroke and in the longer freestyle events, but it was in the 50-yards freestyle sprint that he ranked supreme. In this race he was undefeated in high school competition in 1950, 1951, and 1952.

Dean Clark, a standout Little Rock swimmer; Horace Humble, a State High School diving champion from Baton Rouge; and Henry Walton, an ace diver from Port Arthur, are three other freshmen reasons that the Northwestern State College Swimming and Diving Team under Coach John Piscopo should be hard to handle for many seasons.

Cupid's Doings

MISS JANELLE RUTH WATSON and DONALD L. WINEMAN, both former students at the College from Shreveport, were married at the Mangum Memorial Methodist Church of Shreveport on November 6, with the Rev. A. W. Townsend, Jr., officiating. The young couple will live in Shreveport.

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MISS SARAH GERTRUDE CLARK, student at the College from Natchitoches, and Sgt. William Samuel Ballenger, Jr., of Fort Worth, Texas, were married at the First Baptist Church in Natchitoches on November 9, with Rev. Perry F. Webb, Jr., officiating. The young couple will reside in El Paso, Texas, where the groom is stationed.

Here 'n There—

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A note from Mrs. F. M. Carson of Lafayette asks that we send the Alumni Columns to Mrs. W. B. Mitchell, 411 12th Avenue North, Texas City, Texas. Mrs. Mitchell is the former Marguerite Owen, ex '25. Incidentally, the last issue has been sent to Mrs. Mitchell and this one will soon be on its way.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Coleman, 2202 N. 10th Street, Monroe, are

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the proud parents of a son, Joseph Harold Coleman, Jr. He was born October 9.

Mrs. Coleman is the former Christine Bass, A.B. '42, and has been teaching in the Ouachita Parish Grammar School for the past six years. Mr. Coleman is branch manager for General Motors Acceptance Corporation in Monroe.

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Mrs. Hubert L. Joyner, Box 8276, L. S. U., Baton Rouge, writes that she is thoroughly enjoying every issue of the Alumni Columns. Mrs. Joyner is the former Virginia Dupree, B.S., '49, of Shreveport. She stated, in part: "Since last writing to you, my husband has come back from Korea, and is a student at L. S. U. again. And we now have a little girl, named Ginellen, who was born on August 20. . . ."

Mrs. Joyner asked that we add to our mailing list the name of Mrs. Copeland Harper, the former Lil Sistrunk, B.S. '47, whose husband is also a student at L. S. U. Their address is Box 7568, L. S. U. The Harpers have a brand new little boy, Kenneth Eugene, born on October 25.

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Albert George (Laddie) Alexander, Jr., A.B. '50, visited on the campus this week. He has just been released from service. November 5, as First Lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps. He was last stationed at Camp Pendleton, California.

Laddie expects to begin work for an insurance company in Alexandria in the near future.

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A telephone call from First Lieut. Harry Miller, U. S. Army Air Forces, stated that he had just returned to the States after having completed his missions in Korea. He will join his wife and twin daughters at Boulder, Colo., where they have been living while he was overseas.

Kilpatrick Promoted

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Education Department of the college.

On a recent visit to the campus, he very proudly announced the arrival of a daughter, Lael Alexis, on August 26; however, he did give credit for the young lady's beauty to Mrs. Kilpatrick, the former Juanita Cardozier, B.S. '49.

Financial Statement

From October 1, 1951, Through October 30, 1952

BALANCE SHEET

October 30, 1952

ASSETS

CURRENT:

Cash in Bank on October 30, 1952.....\$ 2,785.22

Stocks and Bonds:

Progressive Mutual

Building and Loan \$1,300.00

First Federal Savings

and Loan Association 6,700.00

U. S. Treasury Bonds 3,500.00 11,500.00

Notes Receivable 7,732.72 \$22,017.94

FIXED ASSETS:

Furniture and Fixtures\$ 2,150.00

George Williamson Museum 25,000.00 27,150.00

OTHER FUNDS:

Annie Laurie Pujos Scholarship Fund... 5,000.00

\$54,167.94

LIABILITIES

CURRENT:

Annie Laurie Pujos Scholarship Fund

Cash for Distribution\$ 415.06

Endowment Securities 5,000.00 \$ 5,415.06

Surplus 48,752.88

\$54,167.94

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Cash in Bank on October 1, 1951.....\$ 2,034.81

RECEIPTS:

Collections on Loans\$ 942.15

Interest and Dividends 435.35

Alumni Life Certificates 182.00

Annie Laurie Pujos Scholarship Fund .. 200.00 1,759.50

TOTAL\$ 3,794.31

DISBURSEMENTS:

Loans\$ 360.00

Board of Directors Expense 231.36

Open House and Coffee at LEA 71.72

Rental for Safety Deposit Box (2 yrs.) 9.76

Premium on Security Bond 7.50

Membership of A. A. C. (27 mos.) 78.75

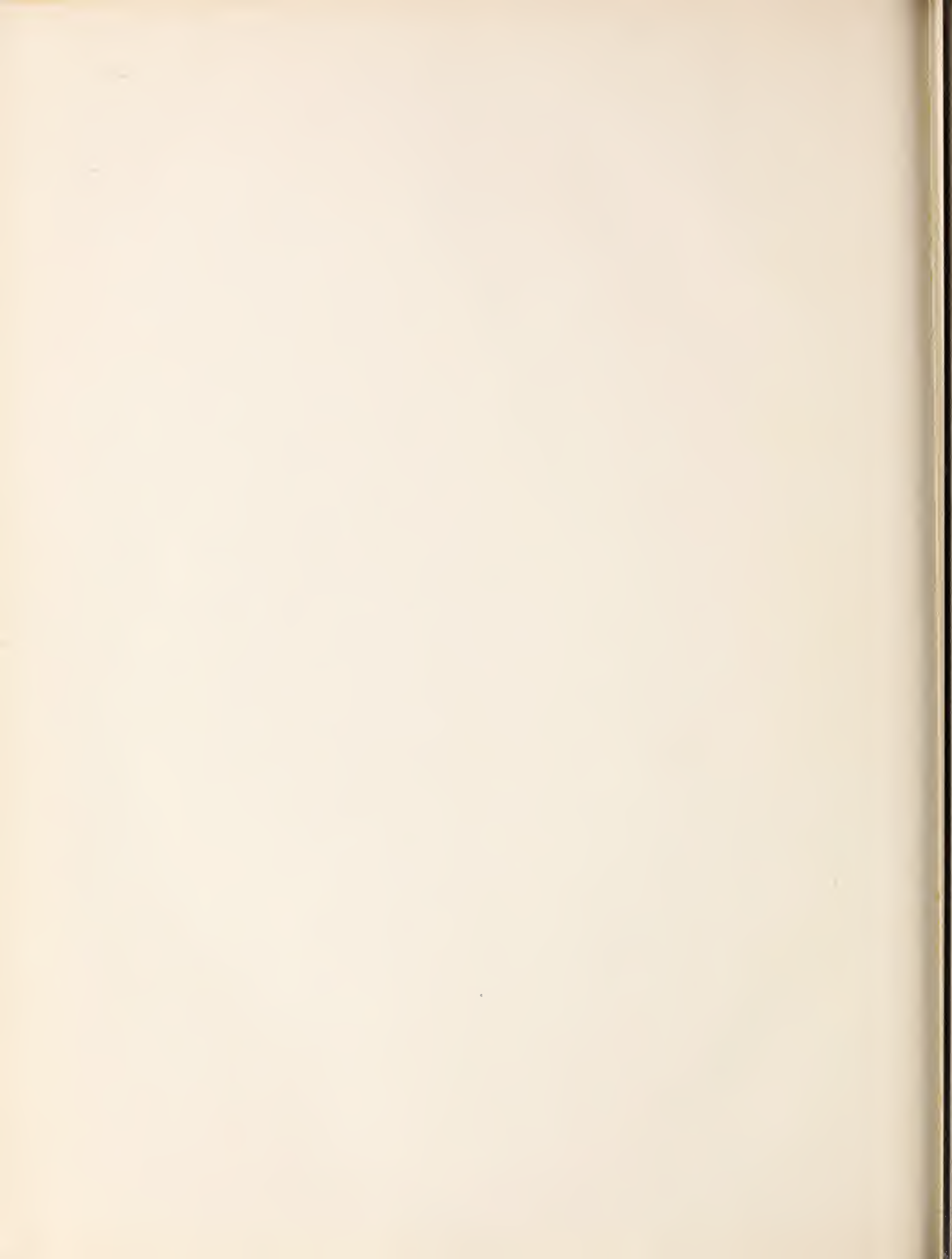
Paid on Queen's Float 50.00 \$ 809.09

Balance in Bank on October 27, 1952 \$ 2,985.22

TOTAL\$ 3,794.31

The above statement of the financial condition of the Northwestern State College Alumni Association, together with the statement of receipts and expenditures of money since October 1, 1951, is published in this issue of the ALUMNI COLUMNS by direction of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association, and reveals a true and correct statement of the affairs of the Association as represented by the records in the office of the alumni secretary and the bank statement.

LEROY S. MILLER,
Secretary-Treasurer



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